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Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: *U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/899,372 entitled "SOLUBLE KERATIN PEPTIDE" by Van Dyke, et al.*  
*Atty. Docket No. KER020/4-005CON; Confirmation No. 3035*

Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application is a Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of November 1, 2006.

The required fee of \$60.00 for a one-month extension of time is being paid electronically concurrent with this filing. No further fees are believed to be due with the filing of this paper, however, should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed to be due for any reason, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fee from Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 22-0365/KER020/4-005CON.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures

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